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Mr. Thomas Ferns
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Dear Mr. Ferns:

I would like to express support for the DOE Preferred Alternative and the Save The Reach Coalition's amendments to this plan for the Hanford Reach. These amendments include designating all public lands on the Wahluke Slope, the Hanford Reach, its islands, the McGee Ranch, and the Arid Lands Ecology Reserve as National Wildlife Refuge. In addition, the amendments oppose grazing on the Hanford Nuclear reservation and support restricting mining operations to those essential to Hanford clean-up and remediation. Finally, the amendments call for issuing a separate Record of Decision for all the areas mentioned previously.

Please add these comments to the public record pertaining to hearings on the HRA EIS. Your assistance is appreciated.

Sincerely,

CAPRICE CONSALVO-OLSON



